

REMARKS

Claim Rejections

Claims 1-4 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph. Claim 1 would be allowable if rewritten or amended to overcome the rejection(s) under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as set forth in the outstanding Office Action. Claims 2-4 would be allowable if rewritten or amended to overcome the rejection(s) under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as set forth in the outstanding Office Action and to include all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

Drawings

It is noted that no Patent Drawing Review (Form PTO-948) was received with the outstanding Office Action. Thus, Applicant must assume that the drawings are acceptable as filed.

New Claims

By this Amendment, Applicant has canceled claims 1-4 and has added new claims 5-8 to obviate the outstanding rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 112. It is believed that new claims 5-8 are commensurate in scope with original claims 1-4. It is believed that the new claims specifically set forth each element of Applicant's invention in full compliance with 35 U.S.C. § 112.

Since claims 1-4 have been indicated as being allowable if rewritten or amended to overcome the rejection(s) under 35 U.S.C. § 112, no detailed discussion of the cited prior art references is believed to be necessary.

Summary

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, Applicant submits that this application is now in condition for allowance and such action is respectfully requested. Should any points remain in issue, which the Examiner feels could best be resolved by either a personal or a telephone interview, it is urged that Applicant's local attorney be contacted at the exchange listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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